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 Xiao-Yi Xiao et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1626  
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 Title: Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors )  
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed September 13, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that appear at pages 2-14.

**Remarks / Arguments** begin at page 15.